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**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. ☐ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g. PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing.)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 21 ]  
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- Descriptive title of the invention
  - Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
  - Background of the Invention
  - Brief Summary of the Invention
  - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - Detailed Description
  - Claim(s)
  - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 5 ]
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- a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
- b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed)
- i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
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named in the prior application, see 37 CFR  
1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
(if applicable, all necessary)
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- b. Specification Sequence Listing on:
- i. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R (2 copies); or
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**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s)) [ pages]
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☐ Power of Attorney  
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11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement ☐ Copies of IDS Citations  
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13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
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of prior application No.: 10/609,960 filed June 30, 2003

Prior application information:

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